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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 11 and 20.

Please amend claims 10, 13, 19, and 24 as follows:

1. (Cancelled)

2-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A computer system comprising:

a first data processing unit;

a second data processing unit;

a data transmission memory device <u>providing parameter transmission from</u> ~~coupled on an input side to~~ the first data processing unit ~~and on an output side~~ to the second data processing unit<u>, the data transmission memory device comprising:</u>~~;~~

<u>a first memory region with a set of records; and</u>

<u>a second memory region with a set of records correlated with the first memory region's set of records;</u>

~~wherein the data transmission memory device is configured to transmit data records from the first data processing unit to the second data processing unit;~~

~~wherein the data transmission memory device has a first memory region and a second memory region;~~

~~wherein the first memory region and the second memory region are configured to store one data record in each case; and~~

wherein <u>a records transmission process comprises:</u>~~the data transmission memory device is configured such that the transmission of a data record to be transmitted from the first data processing unit to the second data processing unit is performed in accordance with the following process~~

<u>determining when the first memory region is available to be overwritten with subsequent data;</u>

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<u>determining which records in a subsequent record set differ from a current record set stored in the first memory region;</u>

<u>overwriting a current record in the current record set if it is determined that the current record's counterpart in the subsequent record set is different than the current record;</u>

<u>determining when the second data processing unit is ready to process a new set of records; and</u>

<u>copying the parameter set in the first memory region into the second memory region.</u>

~~transferring the information as to whether the second data processing unit is ready for data transmission to the data transmission memory device;~~

~~deciding, based on the information as to whether the second data processing unit is ready for data transmission, whether copying is released;~~

~~transferring to the first memory region and storing in the first memory region the data contained in the data record to be transmitted;~~

~~copying the data record stored in the first memory region into the second memory region if copying is released; and~~

~~transferring the data record stored in the second memory region to the second data processing unit, wherein in the process of transferring to the first memory region and storing in the first memory region the data contained in the data record to be transmitted, only data which is not contained in the data record stored in the first memory region is transmitted.~~

11.   (Cancelled)

12.   (Cancelled).

13.   (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 10, wherein the first data processing unit is a standard processor and the second data processing unit is a coprocessor, and

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the ~~data to be transmitted by means of the data transmission memory device~~parameter transmission process is required for the execution of a program instruction by the coprocessor.

14.   (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 10, wherein the first memory region is a first memory bank and the second memory region is a second memory bank, and data is transmitted from the first memory bank into the second memory bank by means of a transfer bus.

15.   (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 14, wherein the first data processing unit is connected by means of a system bus to the first memory bank, and the transfer bus has a greater bandwidth than the system bus.

16.   (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 10, wherein the data transmission memory device has a plurality of memory cells having a first memory element and a second memory element in each case, wherein each memory element is configured to store a single bit and wherein, when the data record stored in the first memory region is copied into the second memory region, the bit stored in the respective first memory element of a memory cell is copied into the respective second memory element of the memory cell by means of a local coupling.

17.   (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 10, wherein both memory regions are situated on one memory chip.

18.   (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 10, wherein the coprocessor is a graphics, image processing or mathematical coprocessor.

19.   (Currently Amended) A method for processing data comprising:
        configuring a data transmission memory device to transmit data records from a first data processing unit to a second data processing unit, the data transmission unit having:~~;~~

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~~configuring~~ a first memory region <u>with a set of records,</u> and a second memory region <u>with a set of correlated with the first memory region's set of records; and</u> ~~of the data transmission memory device to store one data record in each case;~~

<u>transmitting parameters with the data transmission memory device comprising:</u>

<u>determining when the first memory region is available to be overwritten with subsequent data;</u>

<u>determining which records in a subsequent record set differ from a current record set stored in the first memory region;</u>

<u>overwriting a current record in the current record set if it is determined that the current record's counterpart in the subsequent record set is different than the current record;</u>

<u>determining when the second data processing unit is ready to process a new set of records; and</u>

<u>copying the parameter set in the first memory region into the second memory region.</u>

~~configuring the data transmission memory device such that the transmission of a data record to be transmitted from the first data processing unit to the second data processing unit is performed in accordance with the process:~~

~~transferring the information as to whether the second data processing unit is ready for data transmission to the data transmission memory device;~~

~~deciding, based on the information as to whether the second data processing unit is ready for data transmission, whether copying is released;~~

~~transferring to the first memory region and storing in the first memory region the data contained in the data record to be transmitted;~~

~~copying the data record stored in the first memory region into the second memory region if copying is released; and~~

~~transferring the data record stored in the second memory region to the second data processing unit,~~

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~~further comprising transmitting only data that is not contained in the data record stored in the first memory region during the transferring to the first memory region and storing in the first memory region the data contained in the data record to be transmitted.~~

20.   (Cancelled)

21.   (Cancelled).

22.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the first memory region is a first memory bank and the second memory region is a second memory bank, and data is transmitted from the first memory bank into the second memory bank by means of a transfer bus.

23.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the data transmission memory device has a plurality of memory cells having a first memory element and a second memory element in each case, wherein each memory element is configured to store a single bit and wherein, when the data record stored in the first memory region is copied into the second memory region, the bit stored in the respective first memory element of a memory cell is copied into the respective second memory element of the memory cell by means of a local coupling.

24.   (Currently Amended) A computer system comprising:
        a first data processing unit;
        a second data processing unit; and
        a data transmission memory device having a first memory region and a second memory region each configured to store one data record in each case, the data transmission memory device coupled on an input side to the first data processing unit and on an output side to the second data processing unit,
        wherein the data transmission memory device transfers a data record from the first data processing unit and stores it in the first memory region;

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wherein the data transmission memory device is configured to copy the data record stored in the first memory region into the second memory region when it is determined that the second data processing unit is ready for data transmission; ~~and~~

wherein the data record is transferred from the second memory region and stored in the second data processing unit, further comprising transferring only data that is not contained in the data record stored in the first memory region during the transferring to the first memory region and storing in the first memory region the data contained in the data record to be transmitted; and

wherein a records transmission process comprises determining which records in a subsequent record set differ from a current record set stored in the first memory region and overwriting a current record in the current record set if it is determined that the current record's counterpart in the subsequent record set is different than the current record.

25. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 24, wherein the first data processing unit is a standard processor and the second data processing unit is a coprocessor, and the data to be transmitted by means of the data transmission memory device is required for the execution of a program instruction by the coprocessor.

26. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 24, wherein the first memory region is a first memory bank and the second memory region is a second memory bank, and data is transmitted from the first memory bank into the second memory bank by means of a transfer bus.

27. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 26, wherein the first data processing unit is connected by means of a system bus to the first memory bank, and the transfer bus has a greater bandwidth than the system bus.

28. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 24, wherein the data transmission memory device has a plurality of memory cells having a first memory element and a second memory element in each case, wherein each memory element is configured to store a single bit

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and wherein, when the data record stored in the first memory region is copied into the second memory region, the bit stored in the respective first memory element of a memory cell is copied into the respective second memory element of the memory cell by means of a local coupling.

29.   (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 24, wherein both memory regions are situated on one memory chip.